RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING MARCH 29TH, 2018 7:00 PM

The Medina Township Board of Trustees held a Public Hearing at the Medina Township Hall on March 29th, 2018. Chairman DeMichael called the Public Hearing to order at 7:00 pm with the following Trustees in attendance: Ken DeMichael, Mike Stopa and Mark Radice. Also in attendance were Fiscal Officer Ventura, Police Chief Arbogast, Road Superintendent Miller and the general public.

Roll Call

Mr. DeMichael asked for a roll call of all members present. Trustees present were Mr. DeMichael, Mr. Stopa and Mr. Radice.

<u>Pledge</u>

Mr. DeMichael led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moment of Silence

Mr. DeMichael asked for a moment of silence for our military both home and abroad as well as our first responders.

Consideration of a Levy of an Annual Motor Vehicle License Tax

Mr. DeMichael motioned to go into the Public Hearing portion of our meeting to discuss the local license plate tax. Mr. Radice seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. DeMichael, Mr. Radice and Mr. Stopa.

Mr. DeMichael said this was the second of two (2) Public Hearings that are necessary before we potentially move forward on a local license plate tax. It is a five dollar (\$5.00) tax that will be assessed to each vehicle registered in Medina Township. He asked if any of the general public had questions.

John Basilone (4971 Shady Brook Run) did some research and explained the way the license plate fees are divided and what the Township receives from that amount. For each license plate issued the Township receives three dollars (\$3.00) or approximately \$30,000.00 for the 11,998 registered vehicles in Medina Township to defray the cost of road repairs. If the Trustees approve the five dollar (\$5.00) license tax fee we will get the entire five dollars (\$5.00). Mr. Basilone said the County will also get five dollar (\$5.00).

Mr. DeMichael said if they pass this the Township will get an addition five dollars (\$5.00) per vehicle and it will charge the residents five dollars (\$5.00) per vehicle. Mr. Radice said the money can only be used for Road and Bridge. Mr. DeMichael said that equates to about \$50,000.00. Mr. Stopa said that would pay for one culvert repair. Mr. Miller said that wouldn't pay for the entire culvert on Cook Road and there are a lot of catch basins that are going bad. The need for repairs is starting to catch up to us.

Doug Eastwood (3377 Foskett Road) said he doesn't want to pay any more taxes either but the infrastructure is crumbling around us and we are blessed to have a road crew that does the maintenance and repairs that other communities subcontract out. Living and working here he sees the Township Road Crew do things on a regular basis and he for one is willing to pay the extra five dollars (\$5.00) if that helps his neighbor down the road get walls before the road slides into a ditch.

Mr. DeMichael said he agrees but he is quite certain that that wouldn't go away regardless of the fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00).

Mr. DeMichael motioned to close the Public Hearing portion of our meeting regarding the Local License Plate Tax. Mr. Radice seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. DeMichael, Mr. Radice and Mr. Stopa.

Mr. DeMichael motioned to adjourn the Public Hearing portion of our meeting. Mr. Radice seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. DeMichael, Mr. Radice and Mr. Stopa. The Public Hearing was adjourned at 7:12 pm.

Angela Ventura, Fiscal Officer

ken DeMichael, Chairman

Wike Stops, Vice-Chairman

Mark Radice, Trustee